DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ENTERPRISES) (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) Government has not evolved any Golden Handshake Scheme for the employees of Central Public Sector Undertakings. On the other hand it had notified a model Voluntary Retirement Scheme in October, 1988 which could be adopted by the PSEs which had manpower surplus to their requirement. The Scheme envisages that the following benefits would be admissible to the employees opting for Voluntary Retirement:—

(i) the balance in his Provident Fund Account payable as per the CPF regulations;

(ii) cash equivalent of accumulated earned leave as per the rules of the enterprises;

(iii) gratuity as per Gratuity Act or the gratuity scheme applicable to the employees;

(iv) one month's/three months' notice pay (as per the conditions of service applicable to him);

(v) an ex-gratia payment equivalent to 1½ months' emoluments (pay + DA) for each completed year of service or the monly emoluments (pay + DA) at the time of retirement multiplied by the balance months or service left before the normal date of retirement, whichever is less;

(vi) the employee and his family would also be entitled to travel by the entitled class to the place where he intends settling down.

(c) The assessment about the number of employees who would be considered surplus to the requirement of PSE has to be made by the PSE itself. The exact number of employees who could be categorised as surplus in each PSE is, therefore, not available. The expenditure which will be incurred by a PSE which has already notified surplus manpower is also required to be assessed by the said PSE having regard to the pay scale in which such employees are working, the actual basic pay and DA drawn by them, the length of service rendered by them in the same organisation and in the previous organisation and the number of months service left before superannuation.

(d) The names of the PSEs and amount of losses incurred by 109 PSEs during the last three years are indicated in the Statements at S-47—S-50 of the Public Enterprises Survey—1990-91, Vol. I, copies of which were placed on the Table of the House on 5-3-1992.

(e) Administrative Ministries and the Management of the PSEs have initiated specific action to improve their working. Some of the important measures taken for improving the working of these PSEs are financial, managerial, organisational restructuring, technological upgradation, modernisation, signing of Memorandum of Understanding with the Govt. etc.

(f) Since Voluntary Retirement Scheme is on voluntary basis no adverse reaction of the trade unions has come to the notice of the Government.

Withdrawal of Joint Inspection system of coal at thermal power stations

*329. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have decided to withdraw the facility of joint inspection of coal at thermal power stations;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the new system has affected the payment of Coal India Limited; and

(d) if so, what steps are being taken to expedite payment to Coal India Limited?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) to (d) Joint sampling of coal is part of the exercise to continuously monitor the quality of coal supplied to all customers including thermal power stations. Therefore quality control systems have to be stationed at the points where coal is being

loaded for despatch to customers instead of at the consumers' end. A decision has been taken to progressively shift the sampling to the loading points. To begin with, sampling at loading points has been started from 1-6-92 for despatches to thermal power stations from Eastern Coalfields Ltd., Cental Coalfields Ltd. and Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. under the aegis of Coal Controller.

Shifting of sampling to the loading points is not likely to have any impact on realisation of coal sales dues. However, Coal India Ltd, have introduced the "Cash and Carry" scheme with effect from 1-10-91 under which coal is supplied to thermal power stations against advance payments. This scheme has helped Coal India Ltd. in realising a substantial portion of their coal sales dues against current supplies.

विज्ञापन एजेन्सियों पर बकाया राशि

*330. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल** उर्फ **मीम अफजल** : क्या **सूचना और प्रसारण** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) 30 जून, 1992 की स्थिति के अनुसार विज्ञापन एजेन्सियों ने दूरदर्शन को कुल कितनी धनराशि देनी थी और ऐसी एजेन्सियों के नाम क्या हैं ;

(ख) एक वर्ष से अधिक अवधि की बकाया राशि को वसूल करने के लिए क्या कदम उठाये जा रहे हैं ; और

(ग) इतनी लम्बी अवधि तक राशि को वसूल न किये जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

सूचना और प्रसारण मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (कुमारी गिरिजा व्यास) : (क) विज्ञापन एजेन्सियों के नाम विज्ञापन प्रभारों की 12.12 करोड़ रुपए की राशि बकाया है। अलग-अलग एजेन्सियों से वसूल की जाने वाली बकाया राशि का ब्यौरा एकत्र किया जा रहा है और इसे सभा पटल पर रख दिया जायेगा।

(ख) और (ग) विज्ञापन एजेन्सियों से बकाया राशियों की मानीटरिंग करने और उन्हें वसूल करने के लिए दूरदर्शन में एक छोटा कार्य-दल गठित किया गया है।

चलती-फिरती उचित दर दुकानों के लिए वाहन

*331. **श्री शिवप्रसाद चनपुरिया** : क्या **प्रधान मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि सरकार ने चलती-फिरती उचित दर दुकानों के लिए राज्यों को वाहन उपलब्ध कराये हैं ;

(ख) यदि हां, तो राज्यवार ऐसे वाहनों की संख्या क्या है;

(ग) इस बात का पता लगाने के लिए क्या मानदंड निश्चित किए गए हैं कि इन वाहनों से उचित दर पर वस्तुओं का वितरण किन क्षेत्रों में किया जाये ;

(घ) फिलहाल ऐसे वाहनों के माध्यम से वितरण व्यवस्था का संचालन करने वाले अधिकारियों के पद नाम क्या हैं ; और

(ङ) ऐसे स्थानों पर निर्धारित वस्तुओं के उचित वितरण को प्रमाणित करने वाले अधिकारी का पदनाम क्या है ?

नागरिक आपूर्ति और सार्वजनिक वितरण मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री कमालुद्दीन अहमद) : (क) से (ङ) केन्द्रीय सरकार पर्वतीय, आदिवासी, रेगिस्तानी और दूरस्थ/दुर्गम क्षेत्रों में चलती-फिरती उचित दर दुकानों के रूप में चलाने के लिए वैनों की खरीद हेतु राज्य सरकारों और संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासनों को वित्तीय सहायता देती है। वनों की संख्या, जिनके लिए सहायता दी गई है, का राज्यवार ब्यौरा विवरण में दिया गया है। **(नीचे देखिए)**।

चूंकि सार्वजनिक वितरण प्रणाली को लागू करने का काम राज्य सरकारों/संघ राज्य क्षेत्र प्रशासनों के जिम्मे है,